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SUBJECT: PUNJAB ASSEMBLY COMMENTS ON COMMUNAL RIOTS IN INDIA.

1. ON DEC. 14 PUNJAB PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY PASSED "UNANIMOUS" RESOLUTION EXPRESSING "SHOCK AND RESENTMENT OVER THE RECENT ANTI-MUSLIM RIOTS IN INDIA, WHICH CAUSED HEAVY DAMAGE TO LIFE AND PROPERTY OF MUSLIMS." RESOLUTION ADDED "THIS HOUSE FEELS THAT DESPITE DETAILED CLAIMS OF DEMOCRACY AND SECULARISM, THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT HAD FAILED TO STOP THE GENOCIDE OF MUSLIMS." RESOLUTION ALSO ASSERTED THAT "MASSACRE OF MUSLIMS" IN INDIA CAUSED "CONCERN AND RESENTMENT" AMONG MUSLIMS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, AND DEMANDED THAT GOI TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO FORESTALL RECURRENCE.

2. RESOLUTION WAS MOVED BY OPPOSITION (CML) MPA MIAN KHURSHID ANWAR, AND WAS QUICKLY SECONDED BY PPP DEPUTY LEADER OF ASSEMBLY, AFZAL WATTOO.

3. COMMENT: STORIES OF RIOTS HAVE BEEN FRONTPAGED IN LOCAL PRESS FOR SEVERAL DAYS BUT THEY HAVE NOT CREATED ANY STIR AMONG PEOPLE. PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION IS RATHER ROUTINE AFFAIR WHICH REFLECTS NORMAL MUSLIM PUNJABI ATTITUDE TOWARDS

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INDIA AT SUCH TIMES, AND PROBABLY DOES N T PRESAGE ANY FURTHER

REACTION TO RIOTS, UNLESS OF COURSE RIOTS GET WORSE OR GOI
REACTS STRONGLY TO ASSEMBLY ACTION.
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